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CHAPTER XI.

SUNSHINE AND MOONSHINE.

CHAPTER XIV.

BUTTONS.

But the lieutenant was free; free to be a suitor.

Then, then, was the situation when Mrs. Bassett and Florence reached Washington. Windward was deep in the claim and making good progress. His quaint ideas and influence in congressional circles were growing daily; he was becoming familiar with the nature of the work to be done and acquiring facility in handling it. He had a valued adviser in Col. McArdle, though, in diplomatic terms, their relations were, just at this time, a little strained. Stevens let Windward earn it and rarely helped, limiting to the work his characteristic coolness and thoroughness. Of late they had spent a stated time together daily, and as one compensation, and perhaps a sufficient, if only one, had received their earlier friendship, and were again the intimates of college days. Windward's social relations were agreeable if not wholly satisfactory.

Miss Willis was a very cordial, and to some her often. She was certainly charming, though she did have a way of letting her likes after a certain degree of intimacy had been reached, which he had begun to notice even before the colonel touched on that spot. She was always cordial and chatty and sympathetic enough, but somehow all the confidences flow t one way. He had not known it long, however, before the only one of the household of whom he had a fear. I much was herself, and as her gossip was always jolly and usually harmless he liked to hear her "rattle on," as Stevens had styled it, about their friends. Thus she contrived to pay her little bits of confidence with other people's secrets, and so artfully that a false impression was left of a genuine interchange.

Miss Sheffield Windward admired and trusted. He found it easier to talk with her on really important subjects than any woman he had ever known. He could not tell why, but naturally in her company these weightier matters formed the staple of conversation, and yet the talk was easy, witty and refreshing. Windward fancied she must be like noted French women of society, and he appreciated very highly the privilege he enjoyed of meeting her frequently and familiarly.

The only other young lady with whom he had more than a formal acquaintance was Miss Sophia, whom, as he met day by day and under all circumstances, he came to like very much. The tattle of the house was, to be sure, that she wanted to get married, and spent her days and nights contriving snares for bachelors. Well, what of it? She was a good, healthy girl: of course she wanted to get married. Suppose that placard did show; the lodgings might be better than if the landlady was proud, was above advertising and only took you as a favor, after much solicitation.

Windward, to be sure, was dallying about another doorstep, but he cordially recommended all his friends to patronize the house on the other side. And he advised them not to delay either, for that sign might be taken in any day. The lieutenant, for instance, was very partial and attentive, and in spite of certain blemishes Miss Sophia was quite inclined to be sympathetic and responsive. She was a good Christian, and no doubt saw an opening for home missionary work. Very likely she remembered the precept to hate the sin but love the sinner. At any rate, it was long odds that if this particular man proposed he could dispose, and it was surmised, moreover, that he was disposed to propose.

It was a bright winter morning when the ladies arrived, and the day seemed brighter for their coming. Mrs. Bassett had changed but little, and that not for the worse, for autumn has its beauty as well as spring. Florence was Florence. It made Stevens dizzy to look at her. He despised himself. Built to be a bachelor clerk the best years of youth with such beings in the world; what a paltry, meager life was that! what poverty of soul it showed! As for Lieut. Quire, when he was introduced he fairly stared at her, forgetting his manners in nature.

"Oh, but isn't she a beauty!" he exclaimed to Sophia the first chance he could get.

"Yes, she is very pretty," she replied coolly, for would he, if she had fine eyes? If she had fine eyes! Sophia was a fool.

Mrs. Ex was more enthusiastic. "Miss Bassett is lovely," she admitted to her sister one day when they were alone, and she added, "Look out for your beaux, Sophia."

"Deed I'm a-lookin'" retorted Sophia, in the negro dialect, and with a laugh. They were in the kitchen and hard at work, though Mrs. Ex was not fit to be out of bed. But one of the girls was sick and the other rebellious; and now there was a larger table to set, and strange ladies up stairs, and one of them already installed belle of the house, queen of hearts, disturbing all plans, bringing pain, anger, strife and terror. Is this, then, the mission and office of beauty?

"I think Mr. Quire is acting hatefully" exclaimed Mrs. Ex, after a long pause.

"Oh, I don't know," said Miss Sophia, with a toss of her well shaped head. "Miss Bassett is the new face, I suppose."

"I hate a man flirt," exclaimed the matron, knocking the dishes about.

"Oh, I don't care," said Sophia, and then to show her complete indifference she began to cry.

It really was too bad. Here Miss Bassett had been now only four days in town, and Lieut. Quire had taken her to the theatre, and the capitol, and to the art gallery, and the Smithsonian. Oh, he was so sly, too! The Bassett ladies were strangers and "company," and civility demanded some attention to be paid them. And really he was the only eligible escort. Windward was immersed in the claim, making famous progress, and could not possibly go sight seeing just that or the next day. Stevens was tied to his desk all the department day when if at all the sights were to be seen. Sophia—plague take the servants!—was a prisoner in the kitchen. But the lieutenant was free; free to be a suitor.

"Oh, he's so sly," thought Sophia bitterly. "Of course he asks Mrs. Bassett too. He knows enough to make love to the mother. And he is so sorry if she feels too tired to go. And he asks me to go—to the matinee, mind you—when he knows perfectly well I can't leave the dinner. Well, if red cheeks are all he looks for in woman it's a lucky escape for me." And then, to testify her joy at her good luck, she began to cry again.

And what was Stevens thinking of, down at the office, spoiling government stationery in government hours by drawing pen and ink lattice work? Were they designs for the close barred windows of a castle of despair? "Here I am," he mused, "tied to office, a serf, living a tedious little life, a nobody, and she takes hither and thither by that officer—just the one to fascinate a young girl. I can see she likes him; and why not? And why should she ever care for me?"

As for Lieut. Quire, he was miserable too; or as near melancholy as his jovial, careless temperament permitted. The lieutenant from a boy had always been in love with somebody, and for that reason perhaps had never married anybody. But he was anything but sentimental, and had that very comfortable faculty, for one by profession a vagrant, of a short memory. A traveler should have the knack of making acquaintances and forgetting them.

Lieut. Quire's ideals, including his ideal of woman, were not high enough to make him unhappy. He was proud of his profession, lifted life, which he regarded as decidedly worth living, and approved of Lieut. Quire, whom he thought a very good fellow. He was not at all surprised that the ladies acted as if they thought so also; and when they told him as much he agreed with them.

But now the lieutenant was troubled and cast down. Why he could not say. Perhaps he did not try to find out, for he was not much given to introspection. He knew, however, that he had never in all his travels met so fascinating a woman as Florence Bassett. It was not her physical beauty either, delicious though it was, that subdued him. No; her beauty was more than skin deep. Exactly what it was he could not tell, but he found himself dreaming of a fireplace and crane, and a purring cat by the hearth, and the prattle of childish voices in the air. He now recalled with horror that only a fortnight ago he had applied for duty on a foreign station. Ah! what sort of a life was this, wandering like the tides to and fro upon the seas?

And Florence was also a little anxious and distressed; upon the whole they made a rather lugubrious group of pleasure seekers. Florence was not disturbed by admiration, having been accustomed to praise from earliest childhood, when she was passed from one lap to another to be dandled, and when she was stopped in the street by strange ladies and kissed for her beauty. Such homage and tenderness she took as a matter of course and as her natural due and birthright. Moreover, she had had lovers, and had heard vows and sighs; but such incidents she had come to regard as inevitable, and to be uncomplainingly borne. But the situation just now was rather novel and embarrassing. She saw that Stevens loved her; that for years he had, perhaps unconsciously to himself, hid her image in his heart, nourishing one of those slow, secret, smoldering, pernicious fevers of hopeless love which at her coming blazed into an active passion.

This would have been painful to a woman of Florence's kind and sensitive nature under any circumstances, but as matters stood it was doubly so, and awkwards as well. She liked Stevens well enough, and would have enjoyed his society had there been no bar of reserve between them. As she told her mother, from whom she kept only her very choicest secrets, Stevens was a very respectable, agreeable young gentleman, sensible, moral, competent, and all that; no doubt a good and true friend to Windward, and a man of worth. But he was not interesting, he made no impression, did not appeal to the imagination. She liked him as she liked twenty other commonplace, respectable young men, but he met no ideal, satisfied no longing, filled no heroic role. To marry him would simply be to move into one of a block of houses, and live a dreary life with a man not much unlike the husbands who lived next door and across the street and around the corner.

"He is very good, of course," she explained to Mrs. Bassett. "He is not the kind of man to make a fuss, or say ugly things, or annoy one. But now and then trying little times like this come. I ask indeed yesterday to his college oration, just to say something, and jokingly asked him how the country was getting on. 'You drew such a dreadful picture that day of the "Dangers of Representative Institutions" that I was quite alarmed!' 'That was my piece, wasn't it!' he exclaimed, 'I declare I'd forgotten all about it. The only thing I remember about that speech was the bouquet at the end of it.' He tried to smile as he spoke, but his voice faltered; he's in love as plain as day, and I'm very, very sorry."

"Of course," she added, "I don't want to do anything to lead him on, and yet we are much together, and I want to be friendly and obliging. It is real trying, and I almost wish I hadn't come!"

"Almost." Just in little compass of that word lurked one of those very choicest secrets which were kept back. "Almost" translated meant, "except for Lieut. Quire."

To this young woman, fresh from nature, fond of ideals, and already a little weary of the humdrum, comfortable life of a lady of leisure, the lieutenant came as a new type of man, and a most delightful type. That he had faults was evident, but that is the lot of man. So had civilians. He had his faults, but the beauty of it was, he had some positive, definite and charming merits. He was a military officer, wearing the uniform of his country.

Moreover, he had already won distinction in the service for bravery, having been complimented in a general order for saving a sailor's life who had fallen overboard. Florence had traveled on the Long Island Sound boats at night, and at such times it had been her favorite amusement to look down into the foamy wake of the ship and think how dreadful it would be if anything happened. Yet here was a man laughing and chatting and killing time away with her, who at the call of honor had plunged into those black depths and calmly and strongly fought for a stranger's life, careless of his own, till succor came. He did it and made light of it, and would do it again. What would not such a man do for one he loved?

Then his conversation was delightful. He had gone around the world, and that, too, in unbeaten paths. His vocabulary was different, his stories new; to hear him talk was like reading a novel. To be sure his adventures, apart from the gallant act just mentioned, had not been very thrilling. So far from "hairbreadth escapes in the imminent deadly breach," he had never smelled hostile gunpowder, and though he had seen in the tropics large numbers of anthropophagi they were sharks. The modern Othello, in these matter-of-fact days of peace and easy travel, finds it harder and harder to scare his Desdemona into love.

Lieut. Quire had indeed circumnavigated the globe in ships of war and vessels of trade, going to and from distant stations, and in doing so had visited many strange lands, and still "the dangers he had seen" might be summed up thus: Missed a washout on the Union Pacific railroad by only twelve hours; lost a hat overboard in the Pacific ocean; tipped out backward from a jinrikisha in Yokohama; saw a cobra with a snake charmer in Bombay; attacked by fleas in Egypt; caught cold in Rome, and passed the New York custom house. Still, even such adventures shone on a background of Washington tattle, and made the narrator an object of interest to a young lady whose greatest desire, as she often said, was to see a volcano.

Then, again, Mr. Quire's social position was secure. He had but simply to live, and rank, fame, ease and wealth would be his. A naval officer, no matter how near the bottom of the list, is an admiral in embryo, and even a penniless and obscure youngster known to have such "great expectations" can generally get his claims discounted by society.

Then physically he pleased women, being a large, robust, handsome man, with graceful, domineering masculine manners, not at all "reserved and sheepish;" he was "sensible, good natured," and finally "young, handsome." These two qualities, we remember, old Mr. Hardcastle put last, but possibly Florence, like even so sensible and womanly a young person as Miss Hardcastle, put them foremost.

But, however that may be, it is certain that Florence noticed all these perfections in the lieutenant, and caught herself thinking about him to a ridiculous extent, and somehow was much in his company. And the oftener she met him the oftener still she wanted to—a sure symptom of love, which is like salt water, the more you drink the thirstier you grow.

So, on her own account, she was not quite at rest, and she was sorry for Stevens; and then, again, she was anxious about Windward, for she didn't like the Willis girl at all. "From what little I've seen of her," she said to her mother—this being one more within the limit of communicable secrets—"I don't think she is nice or ladylike, and I should certainly hate to have her for a sister.

And Mrs. Bassett agreed with her. Upon the whole, this was pleasure seeking under difficulties.

CHAPTER XV.

A PACKET OF THE PIGEON HOLES.

He began his task.

Meanwhile all went smoothly upon the surface. The dining room looked as placid as a tropical harbor, asleep and smiling in the sun, its limpid waters inviting to a bath, and yet paved with sharks. The household met as usual, exchanged morning greeting and gossip, and separated for the day's work or pastime. Mr. Ex took his roll and apple, Stevens his two rolls and apple and Lieut. Quire his two rolls, apple and tidbit, unless indeed it so happened that he was not required at the department that day, and so might place himself at the service of the ladies.

Windward was, theoretically, the one man of elegant leisure in the household, but his zeal in the claim made him the busiest and the hardest to entrap into sight seeing tramps or winter picnics. Mrs. Bassett finally felt obliged to expostulate.

"Why, Windward!" she exclaimed one balmy winter morning, "do let that stupid claim rest for today and take us all down to Mount Vernon."

"I cannot possibly do it today, mother," he replied, and then observing her dissatisfaction and anxiety he added, with an affectionate caress: "I can tell now in a few days what chance there is for action on the claim this winter. I want to settle that point first; then I shall know what to expect and what to do, and shall have some leisure."

"What do you think about the chances?" asked the mother.

"Well," sighed Windward, "it's a big job. I just begin to appreciate it. You see it is one thing to have individual congressmen admit your claim is good, and quite another to get the bill passed. Now see what has to be done. After you have written out your bill you got a member to present it; he must be present at just such an hour or he loses his chance. Then it goes to a committee with perhaps fifty others, and waits its turn there. Very likely that is the end of it, for most bills 'die a-borning.' But suppose I can stir the committee up and they agree to report the bill.

"One member is put in charge of it, and on a certain day in the month, if he happens to be on hand, he is recognized, and the bill is reported and this time put on the calendar. Here it ought to be reached in its turn, but probably there are enough bills ahead of it to keep congress busy for years, and you can't get it advanced except by common consent, and as this interrupts business and puts back other bills there is somebody sure to object. Meanwhile the house is occupied most of the time with the general appropriation bills and great political questions, and the calendar is put off till a leisure day which never comes. Now and then the motion is made to take up the calendar, and there is a set time—once or twice a month, perhaps—when that is the regular order of business; but members get to wrangling and adjourn in a row. So it goes, and before you know congress has expired and you must begin all over again. But suppose it does finally pass; then comes a similar job in the senate, and if there successful also maybe the president vetoes it, as two presidents have done already."

"I don't see how any bills get through," said Mrs. Bassett.

"Nor I," replied Windward, "and very few bills do pass. The appropriation bills must, of course, and there are a lot of trivial little bills that slip through by luck or good management, and half a dozen important measures of a political character; and that's about all."

"I wouldn't bother with it," said the mother. "You might let your friend Stevens keep track of it; he is here, and is a steady, faithful young man, I should judge. And there is that other gentleman, Col. McArdle; he is a lawyer and knows how to manage these things. But you ought to get settled, Windward."

"I don't know but I am settled, mother," said the young man, moving closer and speaking timidly. "Mother, what do you think of Miss Willis?"

"Why, you are not engaged, are you?" exclaimed the mother in open alarm.

"No, not yet," replied Windward reluctantly.

"I am very glad to hear it, my son," said the widow, gently but kindly, but with more authority in her tone than usual, "and I hope you won't take such a step without confiding in your mother. I ask this much for your sake, Windward, not mine."

"My dear mother," said the young man, laying his hands in hers.

"You see, Windward," said the mother, smiling happily as she stroked her darling's hand, "it's so early yet; I have only met her once or twice, and you have known her only a few weeks. Of course she is pretty and bright and pleasant, but a wife is so much to a man; you want to know her disposition and health and family, and be sure she loves you—do you think she does, Wind ward?"

"How can I tell unless I ask her?" exclaimed the young man, hanging his head and trifling his watch chain.

The mother smiled at her son's confusion, and yet rather sadly. Her instinct told her that the wooing, as yet, was rather one sided; and, motherlike, she did not propose to have her child sacrificed.

"Why, I think she likes me," said Windward sheepishly, "and, well, I suppose I love her. At least I delight to be with her, and we always have a nice time. She's just as bright and sparkling and beautiful and sweet as a mountain brook!"

Look out, lover Windward! Smiles are dangerous. Mountain brooks are also cold, shallow and crooked.

Possibly Mrs. Bassett's look of caution and reserve intimated as much. At any rate Windward stopped, chilled and hurt by his mother's lack of sympathy at a time when he felt the need of it most. Poor lady, she yearned for her child, but she could not encourage this fancy—at least on complete ignorance of the real situation. But it would never do to assume an attitude that would drive the child from her: it was all important to retain his confidence and devotion. And so she said, bending tenderly over the young man:

"Windward, we have broached a very important matter. Do nothing hastily. Be free to tell me your plans and hopes and feelings, and be sure of my love and sympathy. I live for you and Floy."

"I know it, mother; you spoil us," exclaimed the youth; and with a kiss they parted, both lighter in heart and happier for the interview, though to both it had brought new cares and perplexities.

"Mother would forgive me and be reconciled if I married the fat woman of the circus," thought Windward, as he walked briskly toward congress, "but I could make her very unhappy by a foolish marriage. I wonder what that girl does think of me anyway?"

But here his reverie was suddenly interrupted, for just before him on the avenue, hurrying like himself to the Capitol, was his affable member. A few steps brought them alongside, and Windward then politely accosted him.

"Ah, good day, good day, Mr. Bartlett!" he replied, smiling, and quickening his pace.

"Anything new about the claims?" asked Windward, answering the member's "report" with one on his side quite as spirited.

"Yes, we're making headway, making headway," said the member, beaming upon "Mr. Bartlett" when he found he could not make headway himself, and thus escape. "I understand the committee are favorably disposed; that, you know, is a great deal, to have the committee favorably disposed. By the way, I believe you told me once you knew Blamms. Ah, yes, yes; a fine man; I like Blamms; but do you know, between us, you know, Blamms is—enthusiastic. His beautiful, hopeful disposition leads him too far. He will, yes, he—overdoes it, so to speak. I like Blamms very much; but he hurts his cause, I fear, writing so many—enthusiastic letters. I like them, but some of my colleagues don't understand him, you see, as well as you and I do. Yes, I'm afraid he hurts his cause, and it's your cause, too, you know—your cause, too—by writing so much. But I couldn't tell him so, you know. Lord, no! Ha! ha! He would misunderstand me. And I am always glad to get his letters. But you, as a judicious outside friend, might hint—not as coming from me, of course—that he should treat us, us, you know, on the ground, to take charge of these matters. Are you going up to the Capitol, eh? Ah, yes; find day, isn't it? Charming climate Washington has. Ah, I must turn off here; my constituents keep me busy in the departments in the morning. Glad to serve them always, and always glad to meet you. Yes, I would hint to Blamms, as a friend, not to write so many, so many—impulsive letters: not coming from me, you understand, I like them; but you understand. Good-day, Mr. Bartlett; good-day," and he darted up a side street.

"Well, you are a fraud," thought Windward, and with a contemptuous smile he drew from a pocket a letter he, too, had received a day or two ago from the earnest Blamms and re-read it, against the background of the member's remarks, with no little amusement. It ran as follows:

* * * "I think our member palavers too much. He always did talk too easy for me, tho' I voted for him. But he don't act right in this claim business, and I've writ to the senators about it and one or two other members of the delegation. French claims is a live issue down our way, as he will find out if he forgets. There's twenty of us who will knife him in the primary for renomination if he don't hurry up his cakes and show some gumshun. Can't you get those fool congressmen to stop talking about the new rules and do something to our claim? The old vets of the late unpleasantness are pretty high over by this time, and anyhow we might pay up for the revolutionary war before doing up all the old chores of the rebellion. We like your letters. You are all right, a chip of the old block; but stir up those congressmen. Make it a matter of re-election and they'll stir round lively. I've got to have some money pretty quick, that's sure; just poke 'em up."

"Poor Blamms!" mused Windward, as he put the letter up, "I would like to help him; a mortgage falling due, his health failing—it is a shame." "I wonder how many cases there are like his or worse. It would not be a bad idea to collect a few samples. Congress is human and has its soft side for tragic touches. I believe I'll get back to the agency pretty soon and look through the files."

With this scheme in his mind he hurried through an appointment he had at the Capitol, and then went to the agency and unfolded his new plan to the invalid, who nodded his approval.

"Do you know any cases of personal hardship?" he asked.

"Many!" he exclaimed. "Poorhouse, misery; many!" Then he turned to the rows of pigeon holes with a sigh. "Don't remember. There somewhere. I can't look 'em up. You may. Dusty work. Sp

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The Italian ministry can disclaim that nations will never go to war with this country.

P T BARNUM, the world renowned showman, died at his home in Bridgeport, Conn., on Tuesday evening of this week, aged 80 years.

"We we do not buy we cannot sell, says the free trader. Well, there is something. We sold in the last fiscal year to the United Kindom of Great Britain and Ireland goods worth $441,000,000, while we bought of her only $314,148,136. *N Y Press*

Full returns of several cities in Kansas show that the Alliance did not cut much of a figure in the election this week, excepting where it endorsed the Democratic nominees. In these places they were successful in beating the Democratic nominees. Abilene is the only city reporting an Alliance victory.

HON CHAS F MCKENZIE of Vermont, one of the ablest men who ever occupied a seat in the United States House, tendered his resignation as Governor to the Governor of Vermont on Tuesday of this week. He says that "considerations entirely personal" have caused him to resign, but it is generally understood that ill health is the real cause. No man will be missed in the Senate more than Senator McKenzie.

P W SHEARMAN, the well known mining engineer and geologist of Pottsville, died at Stowes Mills, N J, on Thursday of last week. Some twenty five years ago Prof Shearman examined the coal deposits in Sergeant township, this county, and it was largely owing to his report that the Buffalo Coal Co. was induced to purchase the Wyalusing property. The estate is said to be worth over $10 000 000

State election were held during the past week in Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Ohio and Michigan, and Republican gains were almost universal in all of those States. Ohio which have been controlled by the Democrats for many years have been swept by the Republicans, Chicago elected a Republican mayor and the cities of Cleveland and Canton were carried by the Republicans by handsome majorities.

THE hotel keepers in Dakota claim that they are unable to keep themselves supplied with dinning room girls, because as fast as they are imported from the East they are swallowed up in the vortex of matrimony. In consequence of this exasperating state of affairs a notice is said to have been posted to that effect "Guests are warned not to talk of love to the waiting girls. Any one convicted of making a proposal of marriage to them will be fined. Business is business."

YOUNG man, it will do well enough for the old men to be free traders it will be well enough for the fellow who is finished and completed to be a free trader, for when he gets to that point he can afford to follow. But when a young man has got his fortune yet to make, he wants to keep open every door of opportunity to his main endeavor and form no development that your men down to half pay and half time, and ambition is dead, it is no worthless to a man as free trade is to a nation. — *Extract From Hon McKinley's speech at Procter Issue R I*

THE Williamsport *Gazette and Bulletin* very truthfully remarks That the time has come to call a halt on immigration is generally admitted. The ignorant and degraded classes of Europe are prompt to avail themselves of an opportunity to land on our shores, and as a result this country is rapidly becoming a dumping ground for a very dangerous element. The scum of Italy and Hungary has been steadily pouring in through the open ports of America for a number of years, until to-day the large centres of population are infected and contaminated by the followers of crime. There should be a law, and one that would be rigidly enforced, to bar the entrance of the class of emigrants. The criminal and diseased should not be permitted to land foot on the American soil, and none should be admitted until after a most careful inquiry as to their fitness. Then the Anarchists and the Mafia would not be in existence to-day.

A DISPATCH from Erie of Apr 8th says "A telegram from Fredericksburg Va., announces the death of ex Judge Henry Souther, of Erie, of heart failure. He was a native of Charlestown, Mass, and was sixty four years of age. He had been District Attorney of Erie County, was a member of the Pennsylvania Senate in 1855, was a member of the National Convention that nominated Lincoln and Hamlin, was Surveyor General of Pennsylvania under Governor Geary, was a member of the convention that nominated Grant and Colfax, and had been judge of courts in Schuylkill County. He was on pleasure in State not caring to go to the front of his leaving for four years to go to Fredricksburg. He was the possessor of much property in Erie and the old at Number regiment. He was also engaged in flour milling in Virginia, and was the owner of two coast wise vessels on the Maine coast. He was one of the trustees of the association organized to preserve the tomb of Mary Washington. In Erie he was a bank director, a vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and an conspicuous social, as he was political-ly. He leaves a wife and an adopted son.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

The more we investigate the Building and Loan Associations of the country the more thoroughly we are convinced that they are doing more towards building up the towns of the entire country than any other single agency. They loan money to men who are building or who have built houses, enough to pay off their indebtedness, take a mortgage against the property and give six years in which to pay the mortgage. The payments are made in monthly installments, and do not amount to more than what a man would pay for rent on the same property. In six years time he owns his property free from encumbrance. The manner in which a mortgage is paid is explained in the following illustration, which we copy from a small pamphlet issued by the National Saving and Loan Association of Rochester, N Y

I have a house and lot upon which there is a mortgage of $500, for which I have been paying interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum for ten years. I have resolved to pay at least a part of the principal many times, but could always find some other use for the money and so have neglected it. The interest I have paid amounts to more than half the principal sum. I will join the Association, take six shares and pay off the mortgage. My monthly payment of $5 20 each month and $1 30 additional every third month for a period of six years, when my accounts will stand as follows

Paid in monthly installments, 72 months	$374 40
Quarterly installments	78 00
Interest	198 90
Premium	12 00
Membership fee	6 00
Total paid to the Association	$679 30
Amount received from Association	600 00
Cost of loan for six years	$79 30
Cost of loan for one year	$13 21
Or at the rate of $2 13 per cent.	

The National Saving and Loan Association has a Local Board in this place officered as follows President L Rogers Vice President, W E Clarke, Secretary, D H Quintrick Treasurer T H Purple Attorney E M. Mayo any one of whom will gladly furnish necessary information in reference to becoming members and securing loans. To show what benefit this Association has been to towns in this locality it is only necessary to call attention to the loans received by some of them last year. Coudersport secured $5 600 in nine loans ranging from two hundred to fifteen hundred dollars. Austin $2,600 divided into four loans, Emporium $12 500 in nineteen loans, the lowest being $200 and the highest $1 500. Kane $6 800 in seven loans. Bradford $9 100 in eighteen loans and Eldred $2 000 in three loans.

There is scarcely a town of any prominence in the country where Building or Saving Loan Associations are not to be found in successful operation. In the city of Harrisburg there are at least twenty of these associations all of which are established on a sound financial basis, and have thousands of subscribers among all classes of people. In speaking of these organizations a few days since the *Independent*, the most extensively circulated daily paper published in central Pennsylvania says

There is every reason why the building and loan associations of this city and in fact every where should be encouraged. To their efforts can be traced much of the growth of our city and in any a mechanic and working man who now owns his home can refer back to when he secured the money with which it was purchased or erected to gradually to which he belonged and to which he contributed of his weekly earnings until the home for himself and family is unencumbered. The work of these societies is growing each year year each month, and the encouragements of five years ago throughout the city can now bear testimony to their benefit by showing comfortable homes erected on the sites. Besides all this they teach economy and frugality and not only those who desire to buy homes but others who want to accumulate money invest in stock and there by save a goodly portion of their earnings each year

I AM A DEMOCRAT

David B Hill Governor and United States Senator from New York once upon a time stood up and boldly declared as a rebuke to Grover Cleveland the fact that he was following the traditions of his party in these words "I am a Democrat" On Monday evening Mr Hill was invited to a meeting of Free Traders in New York and in response to the invitation he once more took occasion to rebuke Grover Cleveland in the following vigorous language

I am honestly opposed to the attempt which is now being made in some quarters to undermine the sound and conservative position of the Democratic party upon this question, and to commit it irrevocably to the doctrine of free trade. The men who are engaged in this effort, no matter how honest or sincere they may be in their individual convictions, have no right longer to masquerade as true Democrats while seeking to commit the party to a policy which it has always distinctly repudiated, and which, if adopted would inevitably, in my judgment affect injuriously the welfare of the country

Mr Hill holds Mr Cleveland up and, pinning him against the wall with his long forefinger, points his finger at him and says he no longer has the right to masquerade as a Democrat In other words Mr Hill reiterates his assertion of some years ago "I am a Democrat" —and he leaves untold that which is understood, "Grover Cleveland is a bogus Democrat, a sham a fraud"

Verily, the fight between Hill and Cleveland is better It is Cleveland's turn to turn on the guns. — *Harrisburg Telegraph*

THE Legislature is again at work and is pushing business with commendable energy Hon J T Griffith, who was hear on Saturday last, is of opinion that the work necessary to be done can be completed by the middle of May

Empeny

This is what you ought to have, in fact, you must have it, to fully enjoy life Thousands are searching for it daily, and mourning because they find it not. Thousands upon Thousands and millions are spent annually by our people in the hope that they may attain the much desired happiness. Ayer's Sarsaparilla will do it. And yet it may be had by all. We guarantee that Electric Bitters, if used according to directions and the one persistent in, will bring you Good Digestion and cause the deepest Dyspepsia and Constipation Empeny. We recommend Electric Bitters for Dyspepsia and all diseases of the Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Sold at 50c. and $1.00 per bottle by F. R. Foster Druggist.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, April 6.—At intervals during the recess of the legislature, which holiday ends to-day, there have been a number of the members visiting on the hill and from many of them came the expressions of regret that it was not final adjournment instead of the end of a ten days recess that was voted for on Thursday last. The unanimous opinion, however was that the session ought to close not later than May 15

The Republican members laugh at the threat of the Pattison organs which say that should the session close before proper apportionment bills are passed the Governor will be justified in recalling the Legislature together in extra session to perform the neglected duty. In 1883 Governor Pattison endeavored to reserve the members then in session into passing such apportionment measures as would pass the inspection of the Democratic executive. The lesson then given was at an outlay of over one half of a million of dollars. It is scarcely to be expected that the governor would try the same thing over again and watch both houses of the Legislature against him, politically. There is no doubt apportionment bills will be passed and there is no doubt at all of the action the Executive will take when the bills reach him, yet the party organs say that apportionment bills must be passed which will stand the scrutiny of the Executive and unless this is done an extra session will result. Pattison wrestled with an extra session once during his first term and it made him very tired and sick of the job and it is a very pertinent inquiry now will he have a stomach with one this year again?

The general drift of thought so far as the majority side of the legislature is concerned is opposed to the extra session

The constitution loving (?) minority, for the sake of vindicating their love for the constitution they so often express, favor for a supposed party boom an extra session and already the cry is abroad of "sacred trusts violated" "sworn duty neglected" etc. etc by the wicked majority. Time will tell.

The recent unfortunate strike and rioting at Frick Coke Works in Western Pennsylvania has to a great extent aroused the people of the State to a knowledge of the great dangers that are likely to follow the continued importation of the desperate uneducated and dangerous class of foreign pauper labor coming to our shores. It is to be hoped that the National Government may call a halt on the practice of dumping on to the shores of Free America all the jail birds convicts and desperadoes of the Galleys and Prisons of Europe

The presence of the National Guard at the Frick Works has for the time being stopped bloodshed and Governor Pattison acted none too soon. However he comes in for some censure because of his action in sending his Executive Clerk to the scene of disturbances so as to be properly posted as to events as they occur. It must be remembered that the Governor's Clerk is a noted leader in the oath bound secret organization of the Knights of Labor and further it is not altogether certain that the K of L is not responsible for the strike now existing. The Executive Clerk is not the proper person to send on and gather for his Master truthful reports of the situation.

There is much unfavorable comment already at the intemperate utterances of the Executive envoy who from the start has justified the action of the rioting strikers. It is singular however that the Governor does not recall his Clerk and keep him at home because all his utterances since he reached the scene of the strike have been one sided for the strikers and condemnation for the calling out of the State Soldiery. In other words the striker is right and Governor Pattison is wrong in calling out the soldiers to preserve the peace. Does the Governor see it in this light?

There is much anxiety in certain places where a good round sum of money annually has been spent of the State's liberal appropriations to know what the county report of the Bey Harn Commission to investigate the Charitable Institutions of the State will say. The Report is now in the hands of the printer. There is every precaution taken to keep the contents of the report away from the public in advance of its presentation to the Legislature, yet enough is known to believe that the report will carry with it some severe strictures in the management of some of the State Institutions and it is said the commission will tell some truths that wont be pleasant reading when it becomes public property. It is expected that the report will be presented to the Legislature this coming week. This Commission it will be remembered was created by the Legislature several years ago and of which Senator Reyburn was the Chairman as well as Chairman of the Senate committee on appropriations which had the investigation under charge. The Legislative Commission of the present session charged with the devising of some safe method by which the great sums of money deposited in Banks of the State can be made safe and secure from loss through the failure of the bank where State funds may be deposited are kept busy. This Commission has held a number of sessions in various portions of the State and has collated a volume of testimony of great value

At Pittsburg a few days ago a large number of capitalists were before the Commission and were heard and almost as many plans were suggested as there were witnesses examined, to secure the State against loss. Mr Chas. E Way, cashier of the Fidelity Title and Trust Company was of the opinion that where State moneys were placed in a State or National Bank such institutions should be compelled to place on deposit with the State Treasurer, State or National bonds in amounts equal to the loans from the State as security against loss by the State Treasurer in case of failure of the banks holding State funds.

The waiting politicans of the state to the Capital City have much to say of the probabilities of the near future and a number of candidates are ready to serve the state either in the office of Auditor General or, less willingly, in the office of State Treasurer.

Senator Myers of Lancaster Co., makes when you ask him if he is a candidate for the office of Auditor General. Farmer Taggert of Montgomery Co., who has the new tax bill under his charge, would like to be the Granger candidate for the same office. Major Sam Losch of Schuylkill County is also urged for this position—and Representative Lytle of Huntingdon Co., would not be averse to being placed on the ticket for the office of Auditor General, and then we have also George Pearson, the ex Private Secretary of ex Governor Beaver who it is said will be pushed for this place. This does not complete the list by any means but it comprises the most prominent names urged. The State Treasurer's post-folio does not seem to have the same number of aspirants.

Speaker Thompson, it is said would be willing to run the risk of the financial breakers that have proved so dangerous in the past to the occupant of this office. It is funny to note that office seekers shy clear of this particular place because, of late years the occupants of this office emerged from their terms wiser but poorer men.

To-night the Legislature will reconvene and then for the next few weeks law will be ground out in the most approved style.

ALCROFT

TIN-PLATE MILLS AND THE "NEW YORK TIMES."

One of the most thorough and effectual refutations of the absolute falsehoods of the free trade press is now going on and progress already made in this country in the establishment of tin plate manufactories under the protection of the McKinley bill.

The New York *Times* especially was one most violent opponents of a tariff on tin and ridiculed the idea of establishing a tin plate industry in this country. In a remarkable article on this subject, Nov 10, the *Times* stated that the "American tin plate liar was dead. The article also states "There never was anything whatever in those Pittsburgh stories of tin plate factories. *Nobody ever thought of investing a dollar in a tin plate factory anywhere in this country.* The *Times* has repeatedly stated this fact, &c.

Now it would appear from present results that the *Times* was in error respecting the death of the "great American tin plate liar" and that there is no trouble at present in locating him

Tin-plate factories have been already begun at Demmler, ten miles form Pittsburgh. Factories have been started in Chicago by the Norton Bros., and samples of the plates made and distributed among Chicago merchants. In St Louis, the St. Louis Stamping Co., will have machinery in operation July 1 capable of turning out 400 to 500 boxes. Half a million of dollars is invested in a factory which will turn out 2500 boxes weekly at Brooklyn.

A Baltimore company has invested $200 000 in machinery for a tin plate mill. But why go on? The news columns of the daily papers show that the McKinley Tariff on tin did start and has started this whole industry in the United States, which was scarcely known here before.

Indeed these facts, if they do not put the journals which were such violent opponents of a Protection of this industry in the position of obstructors and opposers of American manufacturers show what deliberate misrepresentation and disregard of truth and progress may come out of pure partisanship. *Boston Commercial Bulletin.*

FROM NEW MEXICO.

EDITOR MINER—My being a former resident of your town I thought some of your readers might be interested in knowing something about the country where I now reside.

Albuquerque is situated in the Rio Grande valley in the center of the northern portion of New Mexico. It is in latitude 35, longitude 29 degrees and 32 minutes west from Washington, at an altitude of 5,064 feet above the level of the sea. The scenery can scarcely be surpassed. In the east the mountains are over 7,000 feet above sea level. They are fifteen miles away, but look much nearer, and at present the tops are covered with snow. About a mile to the west down the Rio Grande river and beyond that about ten miles, are three extinct volcanoes. The town was laid off in 1885 and by the U S census last summer the population was 10 000. It has eleven churches, two daily newspapers four public schools, a Methodist college Conpublic schools, a Methodist college Congregational and Catholic academys and the Territorial University water and gas works, telephone system, electric light, horse cars and a company incorporated for building an electric motor line, two National and two private banks, a large number of wholesale houses and the best hotels in the southwest. It is the business center and general distributing point for all that portion of New Mexico south of the Colorado mountains. It occupies a field which cannot fail to make it a large and important commercial center. The faith of the people in the future of the town cannot be better illustrated than by the fact that more valuable improvements are now under way than were ever before undertaken at any one time in the history of the town. The place has direct railroad communication with all points north and south and west, while every road proceeds to that part of the country makes Albuquerque its objective point. During the past year that portion of the country which depends on Albuquerque for its supplies shipped to them more than double head of cattle, while the merchants of the city, during the same time bought and shipped a little over eleven and a half million pounds of wool. The growth of the town cannot better be shown than by a reference to a letter published on the first day of January by the agent of the A T & S F R R of the amount of freight which during the month that place which during the month of December, 1890, there were handled here more than 17 228,000 pounds of freight, while during the corresponding month of the year before the total was only 3,500 000 pounds.

There are good openings in the town for manufacturing enterprises of various characters, especially smelters, woolen factories and factories for canning fruits and vegetables. The town has never had what is known as a boom but has been slow and regular each year, showing an encouraging increase over the last. The surrounding country offers attractive inducements to those who desire to go into agriculture or fruit growing. The climate is mild and equable and is highly recommended by leading physicians in various parts of the world especially for those affected with any lung trouble. The best evidence that could be given of the efficacy of the climate in the cure of disease of the class referred to is to be found in the fact that the national medical congress of France has established a station near Albuquerque for the treatment of French patients.

Prices of property are steadily increasing and lots or tracts that were bought for a hundred dollars four or five years ago, are now sold for as many thousands, wages of all grades of mechanic's are good, from $3.00 to $5.00 a day and work is rushed all the year round. Fruits though reasonably plenty. Rents though reasonably high are not exhorbitant and a good house of five rooms conveniently situated can generally be had for twenty to twenty five dollars a month.

The Rio Grande valley is destined in time to be the garden spot of the southwest, for fruits and vegetables it is unsurpassed. The winters are short and mild, and the summer weather although warm is not oppressive owning, to the dryness of the atmosphere, we never have a fog or cloudy day. Improved farming lands within five miles of here can be bought from ten only to two hundred dollars an acre, according to quality or location. Dry goods, groceries, clothing, furniture and farming implements can be had here at about the same prices they command in the states with freight added, while the finest products of all kinds bring good prices by the reason of home market, wheat never goes below a dollar a bushel and hog's on foot 7c, to cents a pound. American horses are worth $125 to $175 while good Mexican ponies can be had at $25 to $30. Educational facilities in New Mexico have heretofore not been of the best class but under a new law passed by the recent legislature incorporated cities and towns of the territory will have as good schools by the close of the present year as are to be found in any part of the country.

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Dated at Smethport, Pa., March 20 1891, and in the 114th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

WALTER GELDS, Sheriff

TRIAL LIST

For Third Monday Of April, A D 1891

1 R J Wilmoth vs W C Hensel. No. 247 December term, 1883. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit, payment set off with leave to offer special matter etc.

2. Charles Kammerdiener and George Kammerdiener vs Jacob Kammerdiener No 51, December term, 1891 Ejectment. Plea—Not guilty

3 National Transit Company vs R. B. Stone and A. Leo Weil partners doing business under the name and style of Stone & Weil No. 110 February term, 1888. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit payment with leave, etc

4 C L. Oberlin vs Wm Blew No 238, December term 1887 Appeal Plea—All debt A J W Beacom vs Harriet L Vedder H W Vedder No. 95 October term 1888 Judgment opened as to Harriet L Vedder Pleas—Payment with leave, etc and ad l Onal plea and additional

5 Caleb Candell, use of Charlotte D Hubbard vs I M Stack administrator No 224, December term 1888 Feigned issue. Plea Ditto

6 John Smith vs Crosby Lumber Company limited, Charles Wagner and W H Sawert garnishees. No 124 May term 1889 Foreign attachment. Pleas—Non assumpsit, act of, payment with leave, etc.

7 S J W Beacom vs B. M Graham and J B Phillips. No. 222, May term, 1889 Assumpsit Plea—Non-assumpsit payment and set off

8 Alfred Short vs M L. Williams, defendant, National Transit Company garnishees, No. 47 October term, 1889 Foreign attachment. Plea—Non assumpsit.

10. H Long George Stafford vs F Wood George H Potter No 16 October term, 1883. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit, payment with leave, etc

11 C L Douglas vs A J Edgett. No. 225 October term 1888. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—Not guilty

12 Mrs. Emma Hurley vs Manufacturers' Gas Company, A W Lewis and F D Wood No. 220, October term, 1890 Trespass vi et armis. Plea—Not guilty

13 Mrs. Dilla L. Curtis and Stella A Curtis a minor by her next friend, Dilla L. Curtis vs Manufacturers Gas Company, A W Lewis and F D Wood. No 221 October term, 1890. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—Not guilty

14 P C Peirce J N Norton and G A Woods, doing business as Morrison Sons Lumber Co. vs I Q Jenkins, defendant, L. D. Chamberlin and H Miller, garnishees. No. 277 October term, 1890 Foreign Attachment. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

15. Geo. A Siddall vs New York Lake Erie & Western Coal and Rail Road Company No. 253, October term, 1890. Trespass. Plea—Not guilty

16. Andrew Libbey vs W H Bankwater No. 10, February term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

17 E. S. Cook vs Pennsylvania Railroad Company No. 253, June term, 1891. Trespass. Plea—Not guilty

18. Charles D. Seaman vs Elias B. Holmes, No. 373, June Term, 1890. Ejectment. Plea—Not guilty

19 Thos. Hemmy vs E. A. Grant. No 9. October term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

20. S. S. Satterly vs John Herron. No. 9, October term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

21. R. C. Gallup vs W L. Littlebridge, No. 21, October term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

22. H. J Gates vs J F. Gossler, A. H. McClain and George T Brow, partners doing business as A. H. McClain & Company No. 162, October term, 1890. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

23. E. F Wyatt, now for use of Wm Chamberlain, vs T C. Flanagan, George Corson and D O Donnell, partners doing business as Flanagan, Corson & O'Donnell No 253, October term, 1890. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

24. Patrick Clark vs O. D. Lay No. 257, October term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

25. C. K. Patchen vs John Flanigan, No 11 December term, 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

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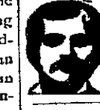

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—Seed sowing will soon be in order.

J M Burton has a new business card in this issue.

Get your fishing tackle ready for next Wednesday.

—The republican caucus of Keating will be quite a numerous affair.

—The people last night in force and quite a number of boys.

—The sounds are dying up fast and soon we will see the close fly.

—Notice the new advertisement of Scott's Bilious Pills in this issue.

—We have been favored with some fine fish specimens this week.

—An important funeral will be held next week and many people from this vicinity will attend.

—M A Sprague has a fine display of Easter bidding paraphernalia in his show window.

—A Star Dramatic Company at the Opera House Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

—D Barry Chadwick is putting up the labels recently ordered by Lund Hammond & Co.

—Those of our people who wear corsets should see Hotchkiss opening last fall if not look at it every day in the year.

—If you are looking for goods read the advertisement of John Riley of Olean which appears in another column.

—A Nordman has purchased of the Rose estate, on Main street, from F W Hamm. The transfer was made to-day.

—We now have R Baxter Bing placed as a clerk in addition to other duties and if any friends wish to call upon him will be there.

—Sunday came to a close last Tuesday and the little ones about town were permitted to sample the sweetness and delicacy of eggs.

—The puzzle social given by the ladies of the Baptist church, at the residence of Mrs. Gifford, on King street, last Friday evening, was largely attended and a great social success.

—We understand the Smethport Dramatic Company will soon give another well rendered show and we can safely say it will be entirely completed and which is sure to be a good one.

—The communication of Mr Brown in reply to Mr Williams was received this noon just as we were going to press so we have decided to defer the answer to next week.

—Rose Mills orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music for the grand ball to be given by the Bradford Comet Band at Adelphi hall Bradford, on the evening of the 24th inst.

—Mrs Eliza Shearer received from the late Chris Shearer on Monday last a money order from the treasurer of the A O U W which is for her husband held a membership certificate.

Emil Hamm is now occupying his new quarters in the Nash building and has as well as a popped and fresh as a rose and cigar stock as can be found in this section.

The man who, in the race for corsets, wears out the soles of his shoes more than the seat of his trousers will find Nordman about that he never was and never will be.—Cherry Creek *Argus*.

—The family of Rev and Mrs W B Sharpe was increased on Sunday evening last by the arrival of a bouncing ten pound boy. Both people think that grandfather undeniably elevated over this event.

D Lewis Huff is the organizer of the Secret Service Co. who has been at work for those of lofty flight interested in planning a Division of that order at East Smethport, with J M Stull as Worthy Patriarch.

The initiation of the G A R and W R C are putting forth every effort to make their dances on the 20th and 21st in a big success. The tickets have been placed at one dollar, supper extra, which should insure a large crowd.

Senator Hoar for Governor a Rye for Judge, a Lamb for Senator, a Durham for Representative, and a Buffalo for Sheriff. It seems as if the Lone Star state proposes to run her political machinery on a regular stock combination.

The Star Dramatic Company supporting the charming young actress, Miss Bessie Lyndon in a new repertoire, at the Opera House, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. A change of bill each night. The prices of admission are 15, 25 and 35 cents.

Mrs E S Rogers, nee Miss Lulu McCormick, died at her home in Duke Center on Monday afternoon last after a long and painful illness. Mrs Rogers was the wife of the editor of the *Argus*, and was loved by women. Brother Rogers has our sincere sympathy in his deep affliction.

—We desire to call the attention of the supervisors of Keating township to the driftway below town on the road leading to Carmen's Valley. The fence is down on the lower side a consid rable distance, consequently this place is a mighty good chance for a serious accident one of these days which would cost Keating township quite an amount of cold cash "A word to the wise is sufficient."

—John O Sonderguth was arrested in New York on Saturday last, through the instrumentality of Mr Rubin, one of his fellow townsmen, and is being held there until the proper requisite papers can be procured to bring him back to Smethport. It will probably reach here on Saturday night of this week, in company with Town Sarnwell, Esq., who was dispatched to bring him.

—We are indebted to Captain Isaac E. Brown, Deputy Secretary of Internal Affairs, for a copy of the annual report of the Internal Affairs Department. What makes the work especially valuable this year is the accompanying E. R. map of the State, which is altogether the finest ever issued by the department, or in fact by any one else. It not only contains all railroad lines, but the location of all the prominent towns in the State. It is an invaluable map of Pennsylvania.

—In speaking of the Easter services at the Church of our Saviour, the DuBois *Courier* says: "It was the first appearance of the vested boy choir, under the leadership of Dr W F Burdick, and the congregation was surprised as well as delighted with their excellent rendering of the music." It must have been no surprise in Smethport where the doctor is well known as a gifted singer and a careful painstaking leader.

—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the 150th Regiment P V I, Valleyfield hold March 25, as Germantown a suitable tribute to the memory of General Hughstone Wister late President of the Association and first Colonel of the Regiment was prepared and a resolution adopted that no one of service be held in hall of Germantown at the next annual meeting, so that the association badge be draped in mourning and worn at each general meeting.

—The ladies of East Smethport are making strenuous efforts to raise money to assist the local pastorate, in June, so the Rev pastor used by them as which to erect such a church edifice. The lot is located near the end of a part of the Pa west division as they expect to make the work of raising the necessary funds to build the edifice, which it will be open to all denominations and will be commenced. The ladies should have the encouragement and aid of every person in the building, and we think they will

—The old Erie shell, as the Bradford reporter designates the building which has been used as a round station for that road for the past five or more, has been sold for the past five or more, has been sold at auction, and every vestige of the old building is now removed. This was a comfort to a few hours a week and during night time after every piece of furniture and other article used in connection with the said building had been removed to the last found town station on the opposite side of the tracks. Thus ends all local evidence of the prosperity of the old metropolis.

—Now is a good time to frame your Easter cards from for sharp frost, then prune the fruit trees and leave a ragged stumps. Carry a sharp knife, a keen saw and a pair of buck brush pruners. After the limb is trimmed to a suitable point to keep it the water grows freely, and such the wounds soon heal. Every good limb must be saved. All limbs which cross another should be cut out. Always trim so that the main growth of the wood goes both ways from the main body. —*Ex*

—The engagement is announced of Miss Mary Hamilton, daughter of Mr and Mrs Joseph Hamilton of Olean, N Y, and Mason Reade Brooder of Warren. The wedding will be solemnized at the Catholic church in Warren on Tuesday last, the Rev Father Regan officiating. Mr Rex Fisher is one of the plaintiffs and John F Rowe of Olean were best man and Miss Lizzie and Mate Brooder sisters of the bride, acted as bridesmaids. After a brief wedding trip the happy couple will go to house which they will make their future home. Among those from Smethport, who witnessed the ceremony were John F Rowe, Mr and Mrs M B Grove and Annie McNally. The many cordial well wishes for the best wishes of a host of friends.

—It may seem a saying, but it is nevertheless true, that a dollar gratefully spent in the church farmers' meeting will prove to be a dollar in your farmers' pocket before autumn comes. Attend the meeting, hear what is going on, help it along, hitch your horse and buggy with a will and come to the meeting. Its life depends upon you. Don't let it die. Don't let it be a dead letter. Don't let it be a failure. Don't let it be a disappointment. Don't let it be a disgrace. Don't let it be a shame. Don't let it be a curse. Don't let it be a blight. Don't let it be a withering. Don't let it be a withering. Don't let it be a withering

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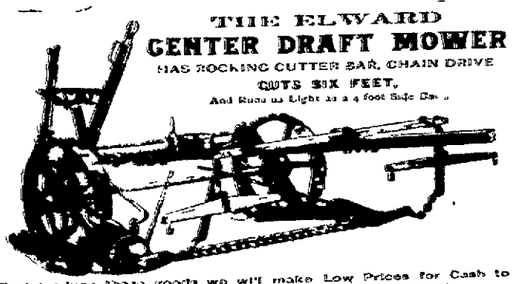

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OF INTEREST TO COUNTRY AND SUBURBAN READERS.

The Source of Supply of Nitrate of Soda. Its Value as a Fertilizer, with Directions for Using It Alone; Also in Connection with Other Manures.

Nitrate of soda is so commonly mentioned as an agricultural fertilizer that some information in regard to the source of supply and the manner of using it will be interesting to farmers. These are given at length in an essay by Joseph Harrison, of Moreton farm N A together with numerous examples of the increase in various farm products due to its use It is shipped from Chili in coarse sacks holding about 200 pounds, and looks so much like common salt that horses, cows and sheep, if they can get to it will eat it to an injurious or even fatal extent Before using, says Mr Harrison, the nitrate should be run through a sieve to remove the lumps These may be broken by pounding them on the barn floor with the back of a spade until they are fine enough to go through the sieve If the nitrate is to be sown alone it is now ready If it is to be mixed with superphosphate or other fertilizers put the desired quantity of each in a heap on the floor and turn it over two or three times until it is uniformly mixed With the exception of acid phosphate nitrate can be mixed with any other fertilizer you wish to work with it.

By the same authority it is said that 100 pounds of dissolved South Carolina rock or bone dust and 200 pounds of nitrate of soda will furnish as much available phosphoric acid and nitrogen as 175 pounds of many of the fertilizers now used. It is believed however that for wheat it will be better to sow 200 pounds of the plain superphosphate and 50 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre at the time of sowing the wheat in the autumn and then early in the spring top dress the wheat with 100 pounds of nitrate of soda per acre

In this connection it is well to say that the action of fertilizers especially of those not complete, is by no means uniform, depending entirely on the wants of the soil, and the only safe rule for a farmer in buying commercial manures is to be governed by their results, as shown experimentally in a small way on his own fields. The price of nitrate of soda in eastern markets ranges from $45 to $55 per ton The station valuations for the nitrogene it contains are about fifteen cents per pound.

Potatoes Spreading

A bulletin of the New York experimental station announces some surprising results in storing potatoes grown in various localities north and south. Quite unexpectedly, to the experimenters, southern grown potatoes did not sprout so quickly as those grown in Maine Yet, on trial it was found that the northern seed though exhausted by sprouting produced the best crops though even here there was no uniformity in the result In nothing is the foregoing American Colonization seems to have been overlooked in these experiments The comparative vigor as of potatoes has much to do with their tendency to sprout early A full ripe and dried potato sprouts easily and quickly It also contains the most starch, and every half dozen or two sets of sprouts have been robbed of it may yet have more starch to nourish the germ but it can not rival that in the watery, immature potato It is the want of some such potato growers to grow a crop very late in the season and gather when frost kills the vines for seed two follow crop, saving It may be some southern potatoes thus grown that Professor Roberts made the basis of this experiment. Early planted southern potatoes especially of early sorts cannot be kept until winter with out wasting almost entirely away with sprouting But it is a fact that there are yearly large exports of northern grown potatoes with the intention for seed is evidence enough that the northern and eastern grown seed is better than any other

Improving Wet Land.

The only way to permanently improve land too wet for growing the ordinary crops is to drain it sometimes this may be done so as to be very helpful by surface ditches that will carry off most of the surplus water In general however wet lands can only be brought into good condition for all crops by underdraining in addition to surface drains Whether it will pay to reclaim a piece of land of this description by these methods will depend entirely on the value of the average land in the vicinity and the cause or difficulty with which the drainage can be effected Quite often lands of this character when well drained are exceedingly productive Where drainage is not practicable and the soil not so wet as to grow the coarse wild swamp grasses, pastoring is the best use that can be made of such lands and red top is one of the best grasses for the purpose

Stems for Cider Makers.

A. S. Delano, of Middleport, vinegar inspector and at the late annual convention of the New York State Cider and Vinegar association, that as a result of the vinegar law more pure cider vinegar is being sold and dealers are pleased with its working

Professor Bailey expressed the opinion that the lessening longevity of apple orchards is due to the lessening fertility of soils, and he was strongly convinced that young or vigorous orchards upon good land will filled and fertilized, would still prove profitable In reply to the query of a cider maker as to whether it is profitable or not to let the cheese stand before pressing, a member said "The sooner you get the cider out the better The old time idea among farmers was that the cheese should stand over night, but they have learned better"

Old heliotrope plants should be guarded against becoming pot bound. Strike cuttings now to insure fine plants for summer

OF INTEREST TO APIARIANS.

Suggestions Made at a Recent Meeting of Boston Bee Keepers.

Mr E L Pratt of Beverly, read an interesting paper on honey producing in this he considered the matter of getting bees started in the section—a most blessing experience with many bee keepers. He said

"One or two colonies as a rule get into the boxes at once and make a start before the others begin. In this case simply shift a row of started sections with a middle row of one not started, bees and all. (Continue to do this until all have at least one row of started boxes. Another plan is to use two cases of sections above the strongest colonies, leaving out the center row of boxes in each case, and hang a frame of brood in all stages in these places. Leave bees until a start is made, when a row of started boxes can be placed in the center of each case, bees and all. If they refuse to work after this it is very evident that they intend to swarm, when every effort should be made to encourage them to do so. Disturb them as little as possible, and feed a little during unpleasant weather Adjust a trap to the entrance and prepare a new hive for each, with starters in the frames not over two inches wide."

Mr. Pratt cautioned against the hiving of swarms on full sheets of foundation or drawn comb. He advised when the swarm issues examining the lining for the queen. "When found remove the trap and adjust it to the front of the new hive and place it close beside the parent colony. Leave it until the swarm returns, which it will do in a few minutes, having itself as nice as you please. After the swarm is nicely settled in and on the hive it can be placed where it is to stand permanently and the queen allowed to run in among the bees. It is safer to wait until quite late in the afternoon before the queen is released. The cage of started sections should be removed from the old hive and placed on the swarm. If these be do not show comb honey it is because there is no honey in the field. In a few days the parent colony will have become strong enough to take a new case of sections."

To guard against the after swarming Mr Pratt's advice was to readjust the trap to the old colony, catch and kill the queens as fast as they come off with a swarm. Then the trap should be removed to allow the last young queen a wedding flight. If increase is not desired the new hive can be placed on the old stand and all the returning bees can be shaken off the combs in front of the new hive at the end of the eighth day The brood remaining can be distributed among the weak colonies or hived over some colony that can care for it.

GREEN CROPS IN ORCHARDS.

Value of Rye Buckwheat and Clover Plowed Under in Orchards.

It is a practical question as to how far in any orchards can be kept up by green crops without manure Country Gentleman thus considers the question Clover is pastured at the head but the crop cannot be repeated twice a year as with some of the others For loosening a heavy soil by its strong roots it is unequaled and I used in orchards by plowing under it has been found decidedly valuable if of remaining in growth more than one year at a time and giving thus a temporary check to the trees. Buckwheat is far less valuable as a fertilizer, but as it can be sown at any time during the first half of summer, and its dense growth smothering weeds, it may occasionally be employed to advantage It should be turned under before seeds ripen otherwise its scattered grains may produce weeds in themselves.

Rye in comparison is not greatly unlike clover when plowed in early enough or before the grain ripens or the heads form, but its fibrous or woody structure prevents it from becoming so readily diffused through the soil as clover or buckwheat while it is far inferior to clover in its roots But it possesses the special advantage of occupying otherwise vacant ground when it follows any crop which is harvested early in autumn, and which may be plowed in late in spring to precede corn fodder millet or late potatoes. Thus each crop has its peculiar value and the course may be varied with soils and circumstances, localities being unlike If some barn manure could be added or a dressing of lime or wood ashes used the whole would by nicely to put an orchard in good condition in connection with suitable cultivation.

Producing Extracted Honey

In a paper read before a Massachusetts farmers meeting Mr E. L. Pratt, of Beverly Mass. said on the subject of extracted honey The simplest and best method of producing extracted honey that I know of is as follows In starting proceed the same way as for comb honey until the colonies are of good strength and working well—say 2 as soon as the flow from white clover commences, or a little before if you can judge it closely remove the comb the queen is on and place in her queen board and all in an empty body Fill the remaining spaces with good clean brood combs and set it on to the bottom board Adjust a queen excluder and place the body containing all the remaining brood on top of that containing the queen and the one sheet of brood Fill the empty space left in the top chamber with an empty comb Close the hive and let them work If examined in about ten days the brood in the upper half will be found well hatched out and I know in its place while the lower frames will be heavily brooded As soon as the honey in the top half is about two-thirds capped remove the combs and extract the honey Return all the empty combs but one and repeat the operation of shifting the queen. Proceed in this manner the entire season, never attempting to extract until all the brood has hatched out of the upper story

Canada Thistles.

The Illinois experiment station offers the following advice to those who have patches of Canada thistles to eradicate

First—Cut the thistles when in full bloom (July) as close to the ground as possible

Second—Plow about three inches deep and sow millet or Hungarian grass, seed ing heavily harrow This may follow the preceding at once, or after some two weeks delay

Third—In September plow under the crop or save it for hay as desired As all events plow and seed liberally with rye

Fourth—Plow under the rye in May and seed again with millet or Hungarian grass, or plant to some hoed crop (corn) and give the most thorough cultivation, with continued searching for and destruction of every remaining thistle

Fifth—Continue the clean cultivation and sharp lookout for thistles another year On poor land labor would no doubt be saved by manuring, beginning preferably in the early spring of the first year or, better still, the preceding autumn or winter The cultivation need not be deep at any time. Cutting the thistle stems three inches below the surface is as effective as at any greater depth, and labor is saved. But the utmost endeavor should be made to include in each process every living plant. From repeatedly cutting off the aerial parts, the underground portions are sure to die of exhaustion, and mostly within the limits of one summer

Why We Hear About Nitrogen.

Farmers and gardeners and fruit growers fully recognize the value of barnyard manure In a ton of ordinary manure, containing 25 per cent. of water, there are 1,275 pounds of organic matter and 225 pounds of ash. Except for its mechanical and indirect benefit to the soil, all the manurial value of the 1 275 pounds of organic matter is due to the nitrogen which it contains. Is it any wonder, therefore, that we hear so much about nitrogen? So says Joseph Harris in an essay lately published on the use of nitrate of soda.

Swine Notes.

The best pigs we ever had are those which can run out of doors when they like to, and come in when they want to, and go to bed in a nice clean nest and extent of a clean trough a variety of food, Such pigs will always pay

Winter born pigs are more liable to have the thumps. April pigs rarely have this destructive disease, as they can get out of doors and take plenty of exercise.

As a rule profits are greater with April pigs than with those born earlier.

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FARM, FIELD, GARDEN.

NEWS NOTES AND EXPERIENCES IN COUNTRY LIFE.

Extracts from a Paper on Poultry Keeping Read by a Successful Poultryman Before a New York Farmers' Institute Profitable Breeds, Good Buildings, Etc.

In an exhaustive paper read before a New York Farmers institute, Mr F E. Dawley of Syracuse, who has had a large experience in poultry keeping, said

Poultry is bred for fancy purposes, for market purposes and for farm purposes. Now if you are going into the poultry business decide whether you want to produce eggs or flesh, and feed and procure your breeders with one end or the other in view If you decide to breed for egg production try Leghorns, Minorcas, Hamburgs or their crosses. If you think it will pay you better to raise broilers, try the Plymouth Rocks, Wyandottes or Javas and if you have made up your mind that there is the most money for you in raising roasters, try Cochins, Langshans or Brahmas.

Each is profitable when bred for the purpose for which nature intended it, and correspondingly unprofitable when bred for any other

Having selected your breed, provide suitable quarters for them I am not in favor of allowing hens to run all over the premises. A barn basement, with southern exposure makes a good winter place for fowls, providing it can be closed and kept free from draughts. If you put up a building especially for poultry select a dry sheltered spot make a balloon frame of 2 by 4 scantling and cover it both inside and out with tarred sheathing Over each 2 by 4 on the outside nail a strip one inch thick, and to these nail your cove siding A shingle roof is cheapest in the end Put windows in the south side of the building but don't put in too many Glass conducts cold as well as heat No matter where you keep your fowls, make the inside of the hen house plain Build the roosts and nests so you can take them out and leave the house perfectly bare for cleaning

If we want to produce eggs we must feed for eggs, and if we want to produce flesh we must feed for flesh. When you find it profitable to keep fifty hens you may venture to keep more If you find the profits less when you have fifty hens than when you had twenty five, you had better reduce your stock. More than three-fourths of those who try to keep poultry cannot keep fifty hens and make as much money as when they keep twenty-five

Corn Silage and Fodder Corn.

Many farmers are not entirely satisfied as to the relative value of corn cured in the ordinary way and fed dry and corn preserved in the silo. A good many experiments have been made at various state stations, among which may be mentioned the New Jersey Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Iowa, Maine, New York, Missouri and Illinois stations, each of which has made a report on the subject. At the Ohio station no satisfactory test of the matter has as yet been made but the director in summing up the results at other stations says that those which bear evidence of the greatest thoroughness agree in indicating

That there is practically no difference between the feeding values of a given quantity of corn cured as ensilage and an equivalent quantity cured as dry fodder provided equally good husbandry has been practiced in both cases. Rotten silage and weather beaten corn fodder may be compared with each other, but not with well cured materials. Whether corn may be cured and preserved more economically by the one process or the other depends largely upon local circumstances and seasonal peculiarities.

Among the objections to the silo are the facts that its filling comes just at the busiest season of the year, and that it involves an immense amount of heavy work On the other hand, the fodder once in the silo is secure from the weather and is in convenient shape for feeding and the laborious job of husking and stacking the fodder is dispensed with.

Guernseys and Jerseys.

The Guernsey and Jersey breeds of cattle come from different islands in the British channel. On each island care is taken to preserve its favorite strain in its purity and the two are more alike in their general appearance than the cows of any other breed although the Guernsey is the larger of the two by from 150 to 200 pounds. Both are noted for the richness of their milk, and for that reason are highly esteemed as family cows In this country the Jerseys are much the more numerous, but the Guernseys are increasing in number and there are many notable herds of them that are esteemed by their owners and admirers as at least equally, if not even more desirable in all respects than the Jerseys. The milk of the two breeds, when tested for butter fat, has been found so nearly alike that no preference can be given to one over the other in that respect.

Snowfall and Thistles.

An Englis's authority claims that one after effect of heavy snowfalls is the large quantity of thistles which generally infest arable lands during the following summer The shelter afforded to wheat by snow seems to protect the thistle roots also and to preserve the germinating properties of weeds, so that there is generally a large quantity of hoeing required. The best means of destroying thistle roots is to drag them out of the land. It is not sufficient to cut the thistle roots for if left in a moist tilth they do not die, and instead of the number of plants being lessened they are multiplied. The scuffler and the curved tined drag harrows are best suited for dragging out the roots and exposing them to the effects of sun and wind, and any little attention given in this way is well repaid.

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GOOD TASTE IN BUILDING.

It Is on the Increase—A Conveniently Laid Out House.

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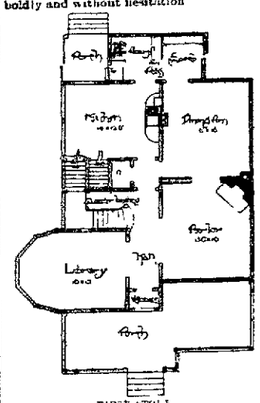
A brick house with a stone foundation is frequently considered as an expression indicating strength, durability and dignity in the way of house building. However this may be, it is true that in most of our western towns the relative number of

FRONT ELEVATION.

frame houses built has been on the increase The principal reason for this is the cost. More display can be made for the same money in a frame house than in one of brick, and there can be no doubt that there has been a very strong movement in the direction of display in the building of houses during the past There are people of good taste and quiet manners who would disdain to go on the street dressed in a loud vulgar manner yet will live proudly in gaudy houses similar in their detail and common in their general structure.

This movement has been somewhat concerted It has been general and it is only recently that a reaction has appeared The people have been told that a man will show his character in house building that one may build substantially in good taste, permanently and show his general quality of character Hence there are many who, either in justice to themselves or for the purpose of counterfeiting that which is genuine have effected the idea of solid dignity and the brick house with the stone foundation or the frame house with rational design and genuine good taste has come to be more frequent.

The old colonial house had its origin among a quiet home loving refined unostentatious people The remains of these houses show the best domestic architecture which we have in this country The old colonial builders used the classic styles—the Roman and Grecian—and adapted them to the habits and requirements of the old colonial people They did this thing boldly and without hesitation



FIRST STORY.

The fireplace was a fan institution common to modern Greece and Rome—certainly not in dwelling houses Yet we have nothing more classic or beautiful than the old Grecian and Roman forms as adapted to the fire places of old colonial homes These can be seen today These old mantels are being resurrected from junk shops and neglected houses

The plan given was originally drawn for a frame house but was afterward changed in form and detail to correspond with the external design shown which is the French Gothic of the sixteenth and Seventeenth centuries This style was originally used in stone However it is readily adaptable to brick and terra cotta, than which there is no better or handsomer material Terra cotta is the perfection of brick making. It is the building material which is not affected by any of the natural or artificial changes in temperature or by other climatic qualities Burnt clay in its various forms is not affected by fire water or frost The great mistake which many of our designers make in handling terra cotta is that they give it constructive forms which are peculiar to stone and not the brick forms which naturally belong to it Than it is that these later Gothic styles are better adapted to terra cotta than some of the later earlier Gothic and classic styles

In this plan there is a center hall which connects with the library or parlor on either side There is a commodious stairway leading to the second floor The partial stairway which leads from the kitchen is separated therefrom by two doors. The pantry is somewhat larger and more complete than has been used There is a clothes chute from the bathroom to the laundry in the basement This chute was lined with tin, so that the clothes could not catch therein, and because this material readily cleans itself, and is not calculated to admit of the passage of rats or vermin The closet on the second floor is quite liberal, and there are three rooms in the attic Thus it is that we have a very compact house, covering relatively a small floor

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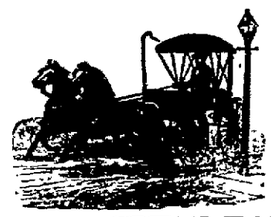

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BUFFALO EXPRESS	2 10 A M
BUFFALO MAIL	2 45 P M

Train leaving Smethport at 2:10 p m arrives at Kinzua at 2:45 p m, Bradford at 3:15 p m, Kane at 4:30 p m, with Parlor Car Service for Allegany, Salamanca, Olean, Oil City and Pittsburg

For Clermont Johnsonburg and points beyond

CLERMONT MAIL	7 45 A M
CLERMONT ACCOMMODATION	12 01 P M
LOCAL	5 30 P M

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WESTWARD.				EASTWARD.		
P m	A m	P m	STATIONS	A m	P m	P m
5 20	11 50	5 05	ar. Bradford lv	7 50	1 40	6 40
4 45	11 25	4 30	Kerr's Jct	8 25	2 15	7 15
4 35	11 15	4 20	New City	8 45	2 25	7 25
4 20	11 00	4 05	Lafayette	9 00	2 40	7 40
4 01	10 45	3 46	Duke Centre	9 22	2 55	7 55
3 45	10 30	3 30	Eldred	9 40	3 10	8 10
			P. B. & K. R. R.			
3 25	10 20		Cross	10 05	3 45	8 45
3 12	9 55		Little Genesee	11 10	4 50	9 50
3 00	9 45		Lv Lobbster, Ar	11		
2 55	9 40		Allegheny	11 45	5 40	10 40
2 40	9 25		Wellsville Ar	12 00	5 55	10 55
P m	A m	A m		A m	P m	P m
P m	P m	A m		A m	P m	P m
7 10	1 45	9 45	ar. Bradford lv	6 20	10 15	4 15
6 50	1 30	9 30	Kinzua Junction	6 50	10 45	4 45
6 38	1 18	9 18	Aiken	7 02	10 57	4 57
6 29	1 09	9 09	Davis	7 11	11 06	5 06
6 16	12 57	8 56	Lyndon	7 24	11 19	5 19
6 05	12 45	8 45	Ormsby	7 35	11 30	5 30
5 55	12 35	8 35	Smethport	7 45	11 40	5 40
5 40	12 20	7 50	Mt. Jewett	8 00	11 55	5 55
4 45	11 40	7 05	Kane	8 40	12 35	6 35

JNO C. MCKENNA Superintendent

COLDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R. Time Table, taken effect Monday, Jan. 13, 1890

AR. EASTWD.	STATIONS.	LVE. WTD.
A M P M		A M P M
7 35 4 15	ar. Coudersport lv	8 20 5 00
11 07 8 15	Pine Creek Jct	4 45 1 40
11 05 8 10	Ellisburg	4 50 1 45
10 58 8 03	Fish Basket	4 57 1 54
10 51 8 00	Olmsted	5 01 1 59
10 45 7 55	Hammond	5 07 2 04
10 37 7 45	Knowlton	5 14 2 11
10 30 7 38	Roulette	5 22 2 19
10 23 7 31	Pomeroy Bridge	5 29 2 26
10 16 7 19	Burtville	5 36 2 33
10 00 7 3	Colegrove	5 52 2 49
10 00 7 15	Port Allegany	6 00 2 55

Trains run on eastern standard time.

B. A. McCLURE, Supt.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE, in effect Dec 14 1890

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION

EASTWARD

8:25 a m—Train 8, daily except Sunday for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6 45 p m, New York 9.35 p m, Baltimore 6.40 p m, Washington 7.40 p m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from here to Philadelphia.

2:25 p m—Train 6, daily except Sunday for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6 25 a m, New York 9 10 a m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7.20 a. m.

10 1 m—Train 4 daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6.30 a m, New York 9.30 a m, Baltimore 6.30 a m, Washington 7.30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia. Passengers can sleep for Baltimore and Washington undisturbed until 7.30 a. m.

WESTWARD.

8 [illegible] m—Train 17 daily except Sunday for Buffalo and intermediate stations, connecting at Ridgway 2.00 p. m, for Erie.

10:30 a m—Train 5 daily for Erie and intermediate stations

2 15 p m—Train 21 daily except Sunday for Erie and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 17 leaves Renovo 6.55 a m daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jct. 8.35 a. m.

Train 21 leaves Philadelphia 8.50 a. m., Washington 11 20 a. m., Baltimore 9.00 a. m. daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 5 p m with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to same

Train 3 leaves New York 8.00 p. m., Philadelphia 11.20 p. m., Washington 10.00 p m, Baltimore 12.20 a. m., daily, arriving at Emporium Junction 12.30 p. m., with Pullman Parlor car and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to same

Train 9 leaves New York 8.00 p. m. Philadelphia 11.20 p. m., Washington 10.00 p m, Baltimore 12.20 a. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junction 12.30 p. m., daily except Sunday for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 8.05 p m also at Ridgway at 3.30 p m, for Kane at 10.30 p m, for Bradford at 11.30 p m, for Olean at 12.30 a m, for Salamanca at 1.30 a m, for Pa hollenpa, arriving at Philadelphia 6.30 a m, Baltimore and Washington.

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